

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Lebrun, Stewart J.
Appl. No.	:	10/719,770
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For	:	MICROARRAY-BASED ANALYSIS OF RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS MARKERS
Examiner	:	Yang, Nelson C.
Group Art Unit	:	1641

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT****Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 20, 2006, please amend the application as indicated:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.